

## Message Text

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FM AMEMBASSY TEL AVIV  
TO SECSTATE WASHDC 5955  
INFO AMEMBASSY AMMAN  
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AMCONSUL JERUSALEM

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E.O. 11652: N/A  
TAGS: PINT, IS  
SUBJECT: LABOR PARTY SEC GEN RESIGNS

1. TODAY'S YEDIOT AHARANOT REPORTS THAT MEIR ZARMI, LABOR PARTY SECRETARY GENERAL, HAS SUBMITTED A LETTER OF RESIGNATION TO SHIMON PERES. IT IS NOT CLEAR WHEN ZARMI WANTS HIS RESIGNATION TO TAKE EFFECT AND THERE HAS BEEN NO ANNOUNCEMENT FROM THE PARTY AS YET.

2. ZARMI HAD BEEN EXPECTED TO RESIGN FOLLOWING THE LABOR PARTY CONVENTION. WHEN THE WEEKS TICKED BY AND THIS DID NOT OCCUR, THE EXPECTATION WAS THAT HE WOULD RESIGN SHORTLY AFTER THE MAY 17 ELECTION. HOWEVER, THE YEDIOT STORY LINKS HIS RESIGNATION WITH HIS DISSATISFACTION AT THE MANNER IN WHICH THE PARTY IS FUNCTIONING UNDER PERES' LEADERSHIP. ZARMI'S ASSOCIATES CONTEND THAT PERES IS CONDUCTING THE ELECTION CAMPAIGN THROUGH "PERES HEADQUARTERS," CIRCUMVENTING THE SECRETARY GENERAL'S AUTHORITY.

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3. WAITING IN THE WINGS FOR THE VACANCY IS UZI BARAM, HEAD OF THE JERUSALEM BRANCH OF THE PARTY, WHO HAS BEEN CAMPAIGNING A LONG TIME FOR THE JOB. MOST SOURCES IN THE LABOR PARTY CONCEDE THAT HE WILL BE ELECTED WITH ONLY TOKEN OPPOSITION. BARAM SUPPORTED PERES IN THE COMPETITION WITH RABIN FOR THE PARTY LEADERSHIP.

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